RECYCLABLE OF THE MONTH:

February 2021

Glass



ITEMS: Glass - clear, green, brown

EXCLUDE THESE ITEMS: Drinking glasses, window glass, light bulbs,

crystal, Pyrex, pottery, ceramics, porcelain.

Remove all corks, caps & lids!

HOW TO RECYCLE: Bring them to the RDF Household Recycling

At either end of Recycling Wall, separated by Color

RECYCLING FACTS:

- Glass is 100% infinitely recyclable, without loss in quality or purity!
- For every ton of glass recycled, over a ton of natural resources is saved.
- Yet each year, only 1/3 of the ~10 million metric tons of glass that Americans throw away is recycled. The rest goes to Landfills.
- 90% of glass put in multi-stream recycling collections gets recycled vs. only 40% of glass put in single stream collections gets recycled.
- In the 10 states with laws requiring consumers to pay bottle deposits,
 98% of bottles are recycled, compared w/the national average of ~33%.
- GLASS recycling is 1 of the simplest ways to help preserve our environment. It's efficient, sustainable, and saves energy & natural resources!
 - ⇒ A glass bottle that is sent to a landfill can take up to 1 million years to break down.
 - ⇒ By contrast, it takes as little as 30 days for a recycled glass bottle to leave your kitchen recycling bin and appear on a store shelf as a new glass container!

2021 = 50th Anniversary of Wellesley's
Recycling programs!
In Feb. 1971 we collected Glass!
Help us do more!





